possibilities but not actively in the service of their own local church or of the church-at-large. With this I had thought there would be present a small group of Board people who would present the opportunities that the church offers and the claim it makes. These Board people would be both from headquarters and from the Mission fields. — I had not thought that there would be Synodical and Presbyterial officers unless there chanced to be an outstanding woman who could look at this whole matter abstractly. I am presenting my own feeling quite frankly, not because I am not willing to accede to another plan that may seem better but simply because I wish to have it very clear as to my own thought.

If it were decided that the conference was to continue, I should think that details should be placed in the hands of a small Ad Interim committee of the strongest members and they should be given full power with the decisions made by the general committee to carry out plans. It is getting somewhat late and things will need to move rapidly from now on.

May I reitterate that I am expressing my own opinions without consultation with anyone and I do not even know how the program has been planned. I wanted to see Miss Purves but have not been able to do so. I do not know whether any of this will be of the slightest help to you but it is as far as I have gotten in my thought.

Very sincerely yours,

MKB/ES

The Westminster Guild
OF THE
Woman's Boards of Missions
OF THE
Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

6012 Greene St
Germantown Pa
Jan 10. 1922

The whole situation is very obscure to me. Perhaps Dr Speer & Miss Dwight disagree with Mrs Snyder entirely. I do hope it can be settled. Will Conf. Com. Friend. Dr. Speer

My dear Lady:- If I could see you face to face we could talk & be satisfactory. But I can't leave & the matter wd these days. I do pray things will move effectively. It never did had it for my heart to make you, and since that last meeting I felt I must get it out of my system.
I am grieved and you can't the drift of things that day and I believe perfect candor must be the characteristic of our dealings now. If we can only get our women to make all their suggestions or criticisms about Board, I am sure we can progress better.
I feel that Mrs McCurdy as Chairman of Personnel Com & Miss Purves of Programme Com. have done splendid work & have gone ahead as fast as they could under the circumstances. They have been handicapped by various things not the least of which is the understanding about Park College. That is why Miss Ogg & Janet Miller, as it was thought wise & let Florence Tyler write the Synod letter out there because they felt she had a little pull. At any rate the delay there has been long, but we hope Miss Ogg can soon secure definite news.
The Personnel Com. has had so many points to decide that I fear the main feature was rather overlooked and now I am free to confess that I can see no reason why the Conference of the personnel is to be such as we

here outlining. For one is to blame I am sure but the fact remains that we are proposing to take to Kansas City a group of middle aged "young women" to tested fully & with not perhaps a few exceptions of younger girls who know some possibilities & development. I am judging by the names with which I am familiar & by the fact that Mrs Williams & others were dubious about their groups.

I am willing to vote for any expenditure of funds for the development of the girls work in our church life but I think a Presbyterial or Synodical meeting will meet every need & the delegates named from Pennsylvania & I feel we are protected in taking only that type to the opening conference - & other Presbyteries represented as the East is I am ready to say the Conference must with the money, and to further to say that I'd prefer to see it spent at once in three conferences for young women in each Synod (or District if raised) where a large group of all types can be gotten together by chosen leaders & they problems pertaining to this work be threshed out, - then with the "findings" from these conferences discover how to carry out a conference such as we are considering - perhaps a year from now or even later. This could be an interesting thing for six months - & then see what the results are & what to do next. Does this sound like backing down or quitting a job? Well it isn't. For I am heart & soul interested & would hate like fun to see the Conference go through - but I am thinking of results - & without the right people at the Conference how can there be results?

This is merely for your consideration - not the public - & when did you hear from Miss Gest last? I really feel quite in the dark & even your clear vision will take a solution &

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March 3, 1932.

Mrs. Frederick E. Stockwell,
Hartsdale, New York.

My dear Mrs. Stockwell:

As our records do not show that the following extract from the minutes of the Board meeting, January 17, 1932, has been sent you, I am sending it to you now for your information.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CONFERENCE - RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE ON

For the Ad-interim Committee on Young Women's Conference,

Mrs. Frederick E. Stockwell presented the following recommendation:

> That the Boards approve the plans for the conference, authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed $3000.-, of $4000.- from each Board, and authorize the committee to proceed with its plans.

VOTED that this recommendation be approved.

Very sincerely yours,

General Secretary

d/s

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Princeton, New Jersey.
May 19, 1922.

Dear Mrs Bennett:-

Thank you ever so much for those wonderfully thought out suggestions which came in time for our committee meeting on Wednesday. How you had time to think this all through in the midst of all you had to do in Chicago, and how you did it without a copy of the Findings, is a marvel to me.

As you will see from the copy of the work of the committee on the 17th, which I am enclosing along with a copy of your suggestions, we have in the main carried out your suggestions, the chief difference being the desire of the committee to set up a temporary committee to work on the Findings, rather than a permanent Council. It seemed to us, after much discussion, that it might be better to have a temporary committee appointed to work on the Findings, and report a more definite plan of organization, and program, than that given in the Findings, trying to erect a practical form of organization before setting up the national council, the organization of which might depend upon ~~upon~~ the organization for young women which will develop from the Findings. The idea was that this temporary committee might work during the summer, and report to the Boards in September, and that the next step could be taken immediately after that. I think behind it all is the feeling that the Foreign Board will not be willing to go ahead too far without Miss Hodge, and that there might be opposition to setting up a part of the permanent organization at once. Would you feel that we would be meeting the wishes of the girls, if we started out with this slower piece of machinery, or, do you think that we should ~~xxxxxx~~ try to set up this national advisory council at once? I, personally, would like to see the beginnings of a permanent organization, as you suggest, started at once, but I think there may be difficulties.

What do you think of this committee which we are suggesting? We wanted to put on it some of those who have been in touch with the work of the conference, hence decided upon Board members, rather than chairmen of committees, realizing, of course, that in a permanent council it would probably be a matter of taking the official heads of committees, but that this need not apply to a temporary committee. Is this a good size for such a committee, and shouldn't we put more that five girls on it, so that the Board representation will not overbalance the representation of young women? Of course, I shall ask the larger committee not to put my name in the way this committee insisted upon. Don't you think it would be better not to make a special arrangement like that?

The girls whose names we suggest are thought to be available for work during the summer, some of them being in the vicinity of New York in June.

If you have time, will you let me know very frankly what you think of the plan which we have worked out, so that I can have

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your judgment before we have the committee meeting on June 2nd, as I understand that you will not be at home in time for that meeting.

The committee on that day may decide upon going a step farther in organization that our plan calls for, and, of course, I shall have your plan to bring forward in that case, and should like to know how you think the two plans compare, and whether what we have done falls in line with the future working out of what you have in mind. It seems to me that in your suggested plan we have already set up for this temporary committee the line of thought along which it would want to move.

With many thanks for your ready response to my request for advice as to how to set up this report, and with the hope that you will let me know what you think of the plan we set up on the 17th, believe me, with much love,

Affectionately yours,

Elsie K. Turner.

P.S. Please excuse the many mistakes in this typing. I wrote in a great hurry, and have not time to do it over.

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A Suggested Report from the Committee on Young Woman's Conference to the Boards.

(Mrs Bennett's suggestions.)

A Preamble-- this to record formally the holding of the conference, its spirit and progress.

Then-- "In view of above, it is recommended:-

1. That the Woman's Board of Home Missions express its appreciation of the thoughtful Findings prepared by the Young Woman's Conference, of the loyalty shown to the existing church agencies, and of the constructive plans referred to the Boards. The Woman's Board would further place itself on record as being in sympathy with the general aims as stated in the Findings of the conference, and as being willing to cooperate with Synodical and Presbyterial Societies in the establishment of such machinery of organization as may best accomplish the wishes expressed.

2. That the Woman's Board of Home Missions (in cooperation with the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions) create a National Advisory Council for Young Women's Work. (not a good name, I think.)

3. That the above N.A.C. shall consist of
   a. The President of each Board
   b. " General Secretary of each Board
   c. " Secretaries of each Board(at headquarters) to whom work among young women is committed.
   d. " Student Secretaries(depending upon policy)
   e. " Chairmen of the following committees of both Boards:
      1. Westminster Guild Committee
      2. Young People's Work Committees ?
      3. Student Committee ?
   f. Twelve young women to be elected by the two Boards on nominations presented by ? (not yet able to decide how they shall be nominated, nor how to put in groups of one, two and three years.). These twelve shall be so chosen as to give the fairest possible national representation considering geographical areas and Presbyterian population.

4. That this N.A.C. shall meet once each year, time and place of meeting to be determined each year by the Executive Committee, decision to be ratified by the two Boards.

5. That expenses of delegates to the meeting of the N.A.C. shall be borne equally by the two Boards.

6. That there shall be formed an Executive Committee of the N.A.C. consisting of
   a. The Presidents of the two Boards
   b. " Secretaries of Y.W.Work of the two Boards
   c. " Chairmen of Committees on Y.W.Work of the two Boards
   d. The four members of section 3 above-class(f)-living nearest to New York.

7. That the Executive Committee shall meet on the call of the chairman.

8. That the officers of the N.A.C. shall be the officers of the Executive Committee.
   (shall eligibility as to chairmen be noted in any way?)

9/ That for purposes of organization temporary officers shall be chosen by classes a,b,c,d,and e of recommendation 3.
   (these secretaries and chairmen would doubtless have different titles later but have put all in now just to be sure to cover young women's ~~xxxkxx~~ interests.)

10. That the purpose and scope of the N.A.C. shall be the unification of the work among Presbyterian girls and young women that there may be a well-developed and progressive plan through which their interest in the life and activities of the church may be aroused,and stimulated and translated in terms of active service through and for the church,and that there may be a deep spiritual power in their personal lives and in their church organization. To this end the inclusion of young women on the Council is sought that they may help to interpret the spirit of their own generation to the Boards,and,also, interpret the Boards to the younger women of the churches.

11. That the General Secretary of each Board send to each Synodical and Presbyterial Society a statement covering
    a. An account of the Y.W.Conference
    b. Those parts of the Findings that refer to organization
    c. Above actions of the Boards
    d. A most carefully worded recommendation that can be passed by each Presbyterial and Synodical Society so adjusting their organization as to make definite place for the activities of the younger generation.
       (this recommendation would have to be worked out with the greatest care,and all would have to be asked to adopt it as it is).

Hyde Park 1:00
" " Burlingame
+ Lake Ave

Program for Young Woman's Conference.
Tuesday, May 9 - Friday, May 12.

Tuesday evening, May 9.

Opening of the conference------Mrs Jennings.
Informal reception, and introduction of delegates.
Committee meetings.
Pictures- "Girl Life at Home and Abroad." Miss Clark.

Wednesday morning, May 10.

Devotional service ----Mrs Roys
Background for the conference, and the reason for it.
Mrs Bennett.
Open discussion and questions on present organizations.
Announcement of commissions and committees, and plan of conference.

" afternoon. Group discussions.

" evening. Inspirational meeting.
Address: The Church, and its World Task. Dr. McAfee.

Thursday morning, May 11.

Devotional service --- Mrs Fleming.
The missionary task of the church
Home ---- Mrs Waid
Foreign---Mrs Roys
Open forum

" afternoon. Group discussions.

" evening. Inspirational meeting.
Talks by workers from the field.
Miss MacKenzie, Miss Christiana Tsai,
Miss Dingman, Miss Cameron.

Friday morning, May 12.

Devotional service -- Mrs Fleming.
Reports by commissions
Open forum

" afternoon.
Findings of conference
Devotional service --Mrs Roys.

SUGGESTIONS FOR COMMISSIONS

I. 1. Are young women vitally needed in the life and work of the Church of today?
2. Are there adequate means of service for young women in the organized work of our Churches?
3. If not, shall we have a relinement of present organizations, or some new form of organization?
4. If so, what shall be its aim and purpose?

II. What shall be the form and relationships of this organization?

1. Form
   A. National - what shall be the National functions?
      (How can the national organization be made democratic?)
   B. Local - what shall be the Local functions?
      (How much self-determination is practical in the local organizations?)
2. Relationships
   A. Home and Foreign Mission Boards
   B. Synodical and Presbyterial Societies.
   C. Local Church
      a. Other organizations, Woman's Society, Ladies Aid, etc.
   D. Groups of young women in the local church
      a. Business women
      b. College girls
      c. Girls of leisure
      d. High School girls
         Can one organization adapt itself to the needs of these or should there be one for each group or a Young Woman's Association with one or two meetings a year together?

III. What should be included in a comprehensive program?

1. Project
   A. Home and Foreign missions- would there be convincing reasons for specializing in these greatest tasks of the Church?
   B. City or individual church work - would there be a danger in making the program so inclusive as to make it of little real value?
2. Study
   A. Bible study - what plan would be most successful in enlisting members in vital Bible study?
      a. Bible study programs (W.C.)
      b. Special courses - small text books
      c. W.C. Bulletin course (1921-22)
   B. Mission study - how shall it be made a vital part of the program?
      a. Of what shall it consist?
         1. present program and plan
         2. study books, printed programs, helps. etc.
         3. intensive study class - a requirement?
         4. monthly program meeting
         5. reading circles and contests.
      b. How make missions real?
         1. pageants, impersonations, plays?
         2. study of and vital contact with missionaries and stations supported?
      c. Summer Conferences - training for leadership - interdenominational organizations for young women.
3. Service - what forms of Christian service should be included
   A. Local church work, B. Community service, C. Patriotic service, D. International service.
4. Giving - what shall it include?
   A. Budget
      1. How much ffeedom or self-determination should be individual organization allow itself in making its budget?
      2. What proportion of the budget should be set aside for local church and community service; what for national and world enterprises under our Boards.
   B. Special objects - is it advisable for this organization to assign to it for support its own missionaries and stations?
   C. Life - how may life service be set before the members as the highest ideal of the organization?

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156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, N. Y.

MISS MARGARET E. HODGE, PRESIDENT
MRS. CHARLES K. ROYS, GENERAL SECRETARY
[redacted]
MISS LUCY LEPPER, TREASURER

July 11th, 1922.

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File in re — Committees

Mrs. Fred S. Bennett,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mrs. Bennett:-

I have just returned from Silver Bay, and in case the secretary of our Ad Interim Committee of the Executive Committee of our Woman's Board of Foreign Missions has failed to notify you of the appointment of certain committees, I beg to send you this information.

Mrs. Lee appointed at our Ad Interim Committee meeting, June 22nd, the following representatives of the Foreign Board on the committee to consider the Findings of the Young Women's Conference:

The President and General Secretary, Miss Steinmetz,
Miss Marcia Kerr, Miss Florence Tyler;
and as Board representatives:
Mrs. D. J. Fleming, Miss Elinor K. Purves, Mrs. W. B. Jennings.

The following members of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions were appointed by Mrs. Lee to represent the Board on the General Council:

Mrs. A. M. Barnes, Mrs. William E. Waters, Mrs. Stanley White,
Miss Belle Lobenstine, Mrs. John M. Cratty,

The first two members, according to the rule of General Council, complete their term of office at the close of the present year; the other three are appointed for two years.

The following recommendation was made ~~in regard to~~ based on a recommendation brought to the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions from General Council:

> "That All joint committees under the Woman's Boards of Missions hold an annual election for chairman - no chairman to hold office longer than two years and the office of chairman to alternate between a representative of the Woman's Board of Home Missions and the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions."

Several matters are coming up in regard to the work for the Orientals on the Pacific Coast, and I should be so grateful if there could be a committee representing both the Woman's Board of Home Missions and the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions to discuss these problems. Mrs. Lee suggests that Mrs. Webb, Miss Lepper and I should be the representatives from our Board, with Mr. W. Reginald Wheeler asked to sit at the meetings of the committee in an advisory capacity. I am not taking my vacation until August, and if it is convenient to have a meeting of this committee in the next week or two I shall be very glad indeed.

Yours very sincerely,

Mabel M. Roys.

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June 29, 1922

Mrs. John Harvey Lee,
6135 Greene Street,
Germantown,
Pennsylvania

My dear Mrs. Lee:-

Just as I leave for Chambersburg, I stop to send a line to thank you for your letter of June 22nd giving me the names of the three Board members appointed by your Board on the Committee of Sixteen. Ours will be appointed in a few days and I will let you know who they are.

I would quite understand that the Committee of Sixteen has no power except to make plans to be submitted at a later meeting, and that the present Committees on Young People's Work will continue to function as heretofore with no change whatsoever in their programs. I will make this very clear to the members of my Board.

It was very nice to have a few words with Mr. Lee at Stony Brook where I was able to be for two days. This is dreadful weather to go to conferences.

Faithfully yours,

President

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June twenty-second 1922

Mrs. F. S. Bennett,
Englewood,
New Jersey.

My dear Mrs. Bennett:

In reply to your letter of June 15th, I would say that at a meeting of our Board's Ad Interim Committee this morning, the minutes of the Joint meeting of our two Boards were duly ratified with the corrections as they had been suggested by the Woman's Board of Home Missions.

I have appointed, with the consent of the Ad Interim Committee, the following as the three Board members on the committee of sixteen:

Mrs. Fleming
Mrs. Jennings
Miss Eleanor Purvis

It was felt by the Committee that it was highly important to have the representatives of the Board on that committee women who represent the Young People's work in the Board.

The Ad Interim Committee also considered for a little the relation that the committee of sixteen would sustain to the present Young People's committees of our two Boards and I was directed to ask if you would be willing to concur in our feeling that our present Young People's committees will continue to function in their full power until the recommendations of the committee of sixteen have been adopted by our two Boards and proper adjustment made for all of the work concerned by the Boards after the adoption of the recommendations. This is only with the idea of safeguarding the work among the Young People during the coming weeks or months. We feel that it will be much easier if some such agreement as this, which we have suggested, can be understood by the members of both Boards.

With sincerest wishes, I am,

Yours very cordially,

Elizabeth Parker Lee

(Mrs. John Harvey Lee)

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WOMAN'S BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
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My dear Miss Dawson -

We are sending you under separate cover a list of the delegates to the Conference with their addresses, a copy of the findings of the Conference, and a copy of the action taken by the Boards upon the report of the work of the Conference.

This report was made to a joint meeting of the Woman's Boards of Home and Foreign Missions, and consisted of (1) a description of the Conference, (2) the reading of the "findings", and (3) a series of recommendations to the Boards which had been prepared by the Committee on the Young Women's Conference. When you read the recommendations which were approved at this joint meeting you will realize that the Boards were enthusiastic over the work done by the Conference, and that steps were outlined by which the "findings" may be worked out into a program which shall establish such an organization for the young women of our Church as the Conference had in mind.

The Committee which is charged with the work of translating the "findings" into a definite program, and which, as you will see, includes five delegates to the Conference, is to report as soon as possible in the fall, and it is the thought of the Boards that no time be wasted in getting such a program into the hands of the women and young women of the Church. If there is any delay, it will be caused by the situation in which the Boards find themselves because of the plan for the reorganization of all the Boards which was adopted by the General Assembly in May of this year. You will remember that Mrs. Bennett warned us on the last day of the Conference that we must not expect the results of the Conference to be manifest all at once in a new program given immediately to the young women of the Church, and that the present change of organization for all the Boards might retard our new plan, but it is the determination of the two Woman's Boards that there shall be no delay in the outlining of a program from the "findings" unless it is absolutely unavoidable.

The Boards realize the eagerness of the young women who attended the Conference to see the results of their thinking translated into an organization for all Presbyterian young women, and are extremely grateful for the very constructive foundations for such an organization which the "findings" afford. Whatever this organization may come to be, a new Westminster Guild, or an organization with an entirely new name, it is our hope that it may embody the desires of the Young Women's Conference for the young women of our Church.

With sincere appreciation of your cooperation in this big piece of work, and with all good wishes, believe me,

Faithfully yours,
Elizabeth Cole Fleming (Mrs.)
(Mrs. D.J. Fleming)
Chairman, Committee on Young Women's Conference.

Copy of letter sent to Board members & for Young Women on Committee - join Below -

July 27, 1922.

Mrs. D. J. Fleming,
Booth Avenue,
Englewood, N. J.

My dear Mrs. Fleming:

At a joint meeting of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions and the Woman's Board of Home Missions held on June 5, 1922, to consider the Findings of the Young Woman's Conference held in Chicago, May 9 -12, 1922, and to take action relative thereto, the following Recommendations were adopted:

Recommendation 2.

That the Woman's Boards of Missions appoint a committee which shall study the Findings of the Young Women's Conference, and from these outline the stepssby which (1) the present organizations for young women may be so modified and enlarged as to form a unified, national organization of Presbyterian young women; (2) such promotional field work may be planned as shall make possible a direct presentation to these larger plans to the young women of the church and (3) scope may be given for such development of young women's work as growth may show to be advisable.

This committee shall report to a joint meeting of the two Boards in the early fall.

Recommendation 3

That this committee shall be composed of sixteen (16) members as follows:

A. Officers of the Boards as follows:
   1. The president of each Board, or the general secretary as her alternate.
   2. The young people's secretary of each Board or the assistant young people's secretary as her alternate.
   3. The executive student secretary or such field student secretary as she may designate as her alternative

B. Board members:
   1. Three members of each Board, these to be appointed by the presidents of the Boards.

C. The following five young women who were present at the Conference:

Jane Harris, Indiana
Mary Louise Emerson, New York
Jean Houston, New York
Marianne Rea, Pennsylvania
Josephine Parker, Missouri

Recommendation 4.

That the convener of this committee shall be Mrs. Bennett, the committee to elect its own chairman.

This Committee stands as follows:

1. Miss Margaret E. Hodge or Mrs. Charles K. Roys
2. Mrs. F. S. Bennett or Miss Lucy H. Dawson
3. Miss M. Josephine Petrie or Miss Emily Gordon
4. Miss Faye Steinmetz or Miss Marcia Kerr
5. Miss Florence G. Tyler or Miss Clark or Miss Lewis
6. Mrs. D. J. Fleming) Appointed by Woman's
7. Mrs. W. Beatty Jennings) Board of Foreign Missions.
8. Miss Elinor Purvis)
9. Miss E. Jessie Ogg) Appointed by Woman's Board of Home
10. Mrs. H. C. Louderbough) Missions
11. Mrs. Charles W. Bryan, Jr.)
12. Miss Jane Harris
13. Miss Mary Louise Emerson
14. Miss Jean Houston
15. Miss Marianne Rea
16. Miss Josephine Parker

Pursuant to the responsibility vested in me I wish to call a meeting of this Committee for a date early in September. To make this meeting valuable there should be as full an attendance as possible and I am therefore writing to ask whether you accept appointment on this Committee and whether you could attend a meeting of the Committee in New York Thursday and Friday, September 7 and 8? Will you kindly let me hear from you relative to this at once that plans for the meeting may be matured?

According to further action taken on June 5th,"the expenses of the committee of sixteen will be met in equal shares by the two Boards", which means that travelling and hotel expenses of members away from New York will be met.

Trusting that above dates may be convenient for you, and that our coming together may be of untold value to the cause we love and serve, I am

Faithfully yours,

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July 28, 1922.

Mrs. F. S. Bennett,
149 Dwight Place,
Englewood, New Jersey.

My dear Mrs. Bennett:

So far as I know it will be possible for me to attend the committee meeting, September 7th or 8th, unless it seems wiser that Miss Emily Elizabeth Gordon should represent the work as she will have charge of the young women. Please note the full name. She requests that it be used in full, or at least the second initial.

Sincerely,

M. J. Pelrie

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Secretary for Young People's Work.

Woodland Road
Pittsburgh
July 30, 1922.

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My dear Mrs. Bennett.

It was
five me great pleasure
to serve on the committee
meeting in New York on
September 7th & 8th.

After August 12th my
address will be
Glenburnie Club, Glenburnie
on Lake George, New York.
Before that time mail
sent to Woodland Road,
Pittsburgh will reach me.

I will go from Lake
George to the Conference.

I am so glad to be
allowed to share in
the plans for perfecting
the new organization.

Very sincerely yours
Marianna H. Rea.

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July 31. 1922.

Mrs. F. A. Bennett,
156-5th Ave., New York.

My dear Mrs. Bennett,-

Your letter of the 27th. inst. came a day or two ago and I want to send a reply before we leave for Ocean City tomorrow for six weeks.

It seems to me you have chosen a very suitable time for the convening of the Committee of Sixteen for most people will have returned from their vacations at that time.

You were most considerate to invite me to attend the meeting as suggested for September 7th and 8th but as that will be our last week at Ocean City I fear I shall be obliged to decline

your very kind invitation to be present at that meeting. Then too, as you know, I am not a member of the Committee and have therefore not felt that I would be expected to attend its meetings. I do want to assure you that I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending me a notice of the meeting and you all have my best wishes in your work.

My address in Ocean City will be 936 Ocean Avenue. If I can be of any service to you, let me hear from you. I trust however that you are planning for a vacation through this month of August for the coming months do not promise to be easy ones for any of us Board women

With sincere regards, I am

Very cordially yours.

(Mrs. John Harvey). Elizabeth Park Lee.

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July 31, 1922

Mrs. F.S. Bennett,
Building.

My dear Mrs. Bennett:

Your letter to Miss Steinmetz has come in her absence on the Pacific coast at summer conferences. She plans to return to New York the day after Labor Day and I see no reason why she should not be here for a meeting which you would call either for the 7th or the 8th of September. I am writing to her to tell her of this engagement and doubtless you will hear directly from her whether or not she can be present.

I am very glad that you have at last been able to get the Committee completed and earnestly hope that much can be accomplished at this first meeting toward plans for a bigger and better organization for the young women of our Church.

I hope you have a very restful vacation if you can be prevailed upon to drop for a little while the many problems which seem to confront you. I feel as though I wanted a vacation more than ever before after the busy days at Chambersburg and Northfield. We had a glorious time at both Conferences and I feel that the tired feeling in my bones is nothing when compared with the happy days and friends which are mine.

Very sincerely yours,

Marcia Kerr.

Assistant Young People's Secretary.

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My dear Mrs. Bennett:

In reply to your letter of July 27th, I am very happy to say I can accept the appointment on the committee of sixteen, if it meets on the dates spoken of in your letter. I could not come at an earlier date as I am alone in the office during August, the rest taking their vacations. Nor could I come the week after that, as school opens the eleventh. So those dates are very happy ones for me-and I trust will prove to be the dates for the meeting.

I feel it is a very great honer to be chosen one of the five, and will be a privelege to meet with you. I really hesitated to ask for more time off, as I have had more than my share this year, but I so wanted to meet with you I talked it over with Miss Mitchell, whose assistant I am, and she said it was such a privelege she didnt want me to miss it, so she kindly gave me the time.

I spent several days in New York during July, while on a trip thru the East, and visited 156 while there. Nearly everyone was away, but I so enjoyed seeing the Board rooms, not dreaming I might be back there so soon again.

I hope your plans will carry thru and that big things will come from the meeting. I am intensely interested in the outcome.

Sincerely yours,
Jane Harris

6012 Greene St
Germantown Pa.
Aug 5-1922

My dear Mrs Bennett:-

I have been out of town for a little time, hence the delay in answering your letter

I speech to be able to attend the meeting which you propose calling for the 7th & 8th of September and trust nothing will interfere. I'm a bit afraid it is rather early for most people.

I trust you are having a wonderful rest time -

Faithfully
Mabel A. Jennings

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My dear Mrs. Fennell,

Your letter of

the twenty-seventh has

reached me. I shall be

very glad to accept the

appointment on the Committee

for dates September 7th-

and 8th are very convenient

for me.

I appreciate the honor,
and I sincerely hope that
I can be of real service
on this committee.

Cordially yours,
Mary Louise Emerson

P. O. Box 946
Buffalo, N. Y.
August 6, 1922

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August 16, 1922.

To the Members of the Continuation Committee of the
Young Woman's Conference.

My dear Mrs. Lee:

The response to my letter of July 27th has indicated that the dates suggested for the meeting of the Committee of sixteen are convenient for practically all of the members of said Committee. It is, therefore, called for Thursday and Friday, September 7th and 8th. The first session will be at 10:30 a.M. on Thursday and the Committee will assemble in Room 624 at 156 Fifth Avenue. The first business of the Committee will be the election of a Chairman; will you, therefore, please be giving this matter careful thought?

Arrangements at a nearby Hotel will be made for out-of-town members of the Committee unless word is received that they are staying with friends, and each one will be notified of the name of the Hotel in time. If any out-of-town member wishes to be met on arrival in New York, will she kindly notify me two or three days in advance?

Will those members for whom alternates were named in the action creating the Committee be sure to notify their alternates in case they themselves cannot attend the sessions of the Committee. This refers only to those who are on the Committee because of official position. The question has been raised as to whether alternates may sit with the Committee without vote or the privilege of the floor. The Committee itself will act on this question.

With every hope that our coming together may be under the guidance and direction of the spirit of the Master we serve, I am

Most cordially yours,

Convener

Signed in Mrs. Bennett's absence to
expedite delivery.

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Mrs. F. S. Bennett,
Building.

My dear Mrs. Bennett:

In a letter from Miss Steinmetz she has asked me to say to you that she will be in the office on September 5th and is reserving September 7th and 8th for the meeting of the Committee on Young Women's Work.

Very sincerely yours,

Agnes M. Doster

Secretary to Miss Steinmetz.

Katherine Lee Bates -

Okeechobee - Aug 26.

My dear Mrs Bennett,

The notice of the Contemplation Conv. of G.W.-Comp. Law reached me for the first time A.M. On many more Law Cases above to reply. We do not get home to time to attend the meeting on 7th & 8th. Our exact date of arrival is a bit uncertain - but after the 8th.

Better get one Bill to appoint some one in my place. Please do. It will be better as my Schedule is fairly fully crowded this Fall.

With love Edmund C. Fleming.

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September 5, 1922.

The Madison Square Hotel
37 Madison Avenue
New York City

Attention of Room Clerk

Dear Sirs:

A suite has been reserved in the name of Mrs. Fred S. Bennett for five young women from September 6th to September 8th. I am sending you the names of the young women. Will you please honor their signatures for charges in the restaurant as well as their rooms. We will be responsible for the account.

Miss Jane Harris.
Miss Mary Louise Emerson.
Miss Marianna Rea.
Miss Josephine Parker.
Miss Katherine Gladfelter.

Very truly yours,

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General Secretary.

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6135 Greene Street,
Germantown, Pa.,
September 19th, 1922.

Mrs. F. S. Bennett,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Bennett:

Your letter of the 18th inst. calls to my mind the joint action of the Boards in their metting last June. The date you suggest, October 10th at 2:30 p.m., seems a very good one, inasmuch as we shall have Miss Hodge with us beside other members of the Board who will be coming to New York from a distance to attend our special meetings on the 11th.

I am writing Mrs. McCurdy, our secretary, to advise with your secretary that they send out a notice signed by both of them, calling the meeting for October 10th at 2:30 p.m. in either assembly room that they may select.

I regret exceedingly that the fall Rally meeting of our church auxiliary will be held the afternoon of the 10th which will prevent my being in New York at that time.

I thank you very much for your kind wishes regarding my father. I think he is better than when he was in Ocean City, but I think perhaps part of it is due to his deep devotion to home and his own room. Just now I am the one who is laid aside. I have been in bed since Saturday morning nursing a strained heart, and it seems all too slow in coming back to its normal strength again. However, I know I shall be better very soon.

With sincere regards and best wishes, I am

Faithfully yours,

Elizabeth Park Lee

EPL/JPL. (Mrs. John Harvey Lee.)

September 18, 1922

Mrs J. Harvey Lee,
6135 Greene Street,
Germantown, Pa.

My dear Mrs Lee:

You will, I am sure, recall that at the joint meeting of the Boards, Held last June to receive the report from the Young Women's Conference, it was moved and carried that the report of the Continuation Committee, provided for at that time, should be brought to another joint meeting of the Boards. Following up that recommendation the Continuation Committee has asked me whether there may be a joing meeting at an early date to hear their report. I believe that the Women's Board of Foreign Missions holds a meeting on October 11th and it has been suggested that the joint meeting desired be called for 2:30 on the preceding day, October 10th. It seems desirable that the notices should be sent as early as possible in order that those who come from a distance may plan to be on hand. Will you authorise the calling of such a meeting? I assume that the secretaries of the two Boards would sign such a call.

We seemed not to have planned for these various things that come up but I suppose all we can do is to handle each one as it comes along. I realise, of course, that Mrs Hodge will be at home by the time the meeting is held but it does not seem necessary to send out notices before her return and I assume that you have full authority to do that.

I was sorry in your last letter to read that your father had not benefited by the summer at the beach. I do trust that the trip home was comfortable and that he is at least none the worse for it.

With every cordial good wish,

Faithfully yours,

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A copy of this letter was sent to members of the Woman's Board of Home Missions and the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions.

September 22, 1922.

In compliance with the action taken at the joint meeting of the Woman's Boards of Missions on June 5th that a joint meeting be called in the early Fall to consider the report of the Committee of 16 appointed to study the findings of the Young Women's Conference and bring in recommendations thereon.

A meeting is called for Tuesday, October 10th, at 2:30 P.M. in Room 725, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

LUCY P. MC CURDY
Recording Secretary W.B.F.M.

EMMA JESSIE OGG
Recording Secretary W.B.H.M.

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Princeton, New Jersey.
September 28, 1922.

Mrs F.S.Bennett,
Englewood, N.J.

My dear Mrs Bennett-

A small sub-committee of the Chicago Conference Continuation Committee has worked over the material and prepared a report to submit to the Boards at the joint meeting, and I am enclosing a copy for your judgment upon it, before having copies made to use at the Board meeting. (This is just a rough copy which I have typed myself, and made many mistakes in doing so).

If you will compare the part of the report which deals with the organization of the W.G.W.S. you will see that we have a number of changes in the wording in the attempt to make the phraseology more consistent throughout, and we have added a few phrases to make the meaning clearer. For example, in the section on Synodical and Presbyterial conferences, we have tried to distinguish between the presbyterial and synodical organization of the W.G.W.S., and the conferences held by those organizations. This did not seem clear in the minutes, and we thought it should be made clearer. We did not think that we had in any way changed the idea as defined by the committee, but had merely amplified it a little where it seemed to need it.

We, also, changed the form of the recommendations to the Boards, tried to make them more definite, and added a few that seemed to be needed. I think the committee fully intended us to do this, as the last part of that meeting was very hurried, and it seemed to be the feeling that a small committee would work over that part of the report and prepare it for the Boards.

Do you think we have made any changes which would necessitate asking for a vote of approval from the whole committee? We, (this sub-committee being Miss Ogg, Mrs Bryan, Miss Steinmetz and myself) felt that we had not in any way changed the thought of the committee, and that it was not necessary to send this report out to the members for their approval, but we thought we had better get your advise on the subject.

In thinking over the presentation of this report to the Boards, we wondered whether we should give the whole report, or cull parts of it, and leave some of the detail to come out in the discussion, if it was asked for. The full report is the official one, and the one which we wanted spread on the minutes of the Boards, but we thought it might not be necessary to present the whole thing verbally. We, therefore, went over it, and marked the parts which we thought ought to be stressed. these I have marked with an X in pencil on the margin so that you could see what we had planned to do, if that is all right. Should we present the whole thing, or could we present just the parts I have marked, or should we ask the Boards if they want the whole thing, and if not, have the shorter statement ready. This refers, of course, only to the part of the rpport on organization and program, not to the rest

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of the report.

I would be very grateful if you would let me know what you think of the changes we have made, and whether there are any others which should be made, also, whether you like the recommendations, and whether they are put coreectly. I hate to bother you with this, but I do want you to see it before it is presented, and let me know what you think of any part of it. We none of us thought that the report should be considered complete until we had gotten your opinion on it . I only wish it were possible to see you, and talk it over with you, but that seems to be out of the question.

We thought of having an outline of this report, and the recommendations in full, typed for the use of the Board members at the meeting. I think it helps a lot to have something of that kind.

I do hope that, you are feeling better, and that that long day at the Board meeting was not too much for you. We are all hoping and praying that nothing will keep you from being there on October 10th.

With much affection, believe me,

Cordially yours,

Miss Kennedy Purris

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Princeton, New Jersey.
December 6, 1922.

Miss Josephine Petrie,
156 Fifth Avenue, N.Y.

My dear Miss Petrie:-

I am enclosing the call to the meeting of the Chicago Conferenee Continuation Committee, of which you are a member ex officio.

We have engaged a room for you at the hotel, as we thought you would want to stay in town with us, and we will have evening meetings in order to do all we can in the limited amount of time we have.

If you cannot be present at these meetings, will you send Miss Gordon as your alternate, but we hope to have you both, and will have rooms for both Miss Gordon and Miss Kerr because we thought they should be present and hear the discussion even if they do not take part in the discussion.

If you cannot stay in town these nights, will you let Miss Ogg know as she is arranging about the rooms.

Hoping to have you with us, believe me,

Cordially yours,
Miss K. Torrence
Chairman.

P. S. I spoke to Miss Jadwin yesterday about the meeting, but, will you please share the formal call to the meeting with her, and tell her that we expect her to stay at the hotel.

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Princeton, New Jersey.
December 13th, 1922.

Mrs F.S.Bennett,
149 Dwight Place,
Englewood, N.J.

My dear Mrs Bennett:-

I am enclosing a copy of the call to the meeting of the Chicago Conference Continuation Committee which has gone out to all the young women members who have written that they could come to the meeting, also, to the Board members of the committee.

I wanted you to see what the arrangements are, and, at the same time, to let you know that there is a room reserved for you at the hotel. We went ahead and engaged a room for you while you were away, knowing, of course, that it could be given up if you did not wish it, but hoping to have you there with us.

This is a very formal invitation from the committee to you as the President of the Woman's Board of Home Missions to attend the meetings of the committee. This seems to be necessary according to the wording of the recommendation to the Boards, and it carries with it the earnest desire of all the members of the committee, to say nothing of the chairman, to have you there. In fact, I do not think we could get along very well without you, and there are a good many questions which will come up to puzzle us, and which will need the judgment of those in authority in the Boards.

All of the girls can come except Mary Louise Emerson, and I am now waiting to hear from Corilla Brodnax, the first alternate. There is no danger our not having the full number, however, as Grace Calder writes that she can come atshort notice, if we need her.

I am not so sure about the Board members. From our Board, Jessie Ogg is sure, but Mrs Bryan may go out west, and I have had no word from Ellen. Mrs Bryan will attend the meetings if she is here, and will let me know as soon as she decides. Mrs Stockwell says she can attend some meetings if we need her, but not all, so I may have to write to you later for another alternate. The Foreign Board is in about the same situation. It seems to be a better time for the girls than for the Board members of the committee.

Don't bother to write unless you do not wish a room at the hotel, in which case, please notify J.Ogg, who is making the arrangements. I am taking it for granted that you will be there. We have arranged for a room at the hotel where we can meet without being disturbed according to your suggestion, also, can have evening meetings.

I hope you are not feeling very tired after your trip in the west. I am crazy to hear about the Student Fellowship Meeting.

Very affectionately, Elinor K. Torrence

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To the members of the Chicago Conference Continuation Committee:-

The committee will hold its next meeting from December 27th - December 29th, inclusive, in New York, the first session be called on December 27th at 2 P.M.

The place of meeting will be the Hotel Latham, on 28th Street, between Fifth and Madison Avenues, where rooms have been engaged, and where we can have, also, a room for our meetings. This will make it possible for the committee to live and work to-gether for two days, and it is hoped to accomplish all we need to do by thus giving our whole time to the business before us.

Will you kindly plan to arrive in time for this first meeting at 2 P.M. on Wednesday, the 27th, and plan to stay all through Friday, the 29th. The rooms have been engaged for three nights, and it will be possible to stay in them until Saturday morning.

The business before us includes

1. Plans for the presentation of W.G.W.S. to the young women of the church.

2. Outline of the steps by which the present W.G. can be merged into the new W.G.W.S.

3. The working out of the pregram, and its adaptation to the various age groups within the new organization.

4. The preparation of promotional material.

5. The working out of the constitution, and the question of relationships.

Will you please be thinking along these lines, and bring to the meeting any suggestions that you may have, or any plan which you have worked out in your mind as you have thought of W.G.W.S.

If there is anything you would like to suggest about the plans for the meeting, any particular business which you think should be brought up, please let me know beforehand. We want to bring up everything that is important, as we cannot have another meeting for some time.

It is a great pleasure to know that you will be at the meeting, and we are hoping for some very definite results from our work to-gether.

Faithfully yours,

Mrs. K. Roys

Chairman.

December 20th, 1922.

Miss Elinor Purves,
Princeton, New Jersey.

My dear Elinor:-

I have been thinking over night much of the plans for next week, and I am afraid I cannot promise to stay down for more than Wednesday or Thursday evening, as I must get home on Friday, but that is not the question which is mostly in my mind.

The thing that is disturbing me is as to how the meeting can be made of value unless there can be a good Board attendance of people who will remain throughout the sessions. Even if Miss Hodge and I should do this, I do not feel that the difficulty would be met, for we are so definitely there in an advisory capicity and with a different viewpoint, that it would be fatal to have any other relationship become established. Of course we have to realize, although we do not wish to, that we are in a very critical situation in this whole matter now and because of the plans of reorganisation and the fact that the Board of Christian Education claims so much of the work we are proposing, and the fact that the Committee to consider the work among young people meets early in January, I do realise that it would be very difficult to postpone this meeting for some time when all the girls can come. On the other hand if there cannot be a really worthwhile group of Board women there, I am afraid that I am forced to feel that the meeting is not justified. I hate to say this, but I feel that in honesty I must.

Very cordially yours,

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P.S.- I think I ought to say that reorganization matters are pressing

very heavily just now, and any engagement I make has to give way to any Committee relative to that. This degree of uncertainty has to exist just now.

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December 13, 1922

Miss Elinor K. Purves,
Princeton,
New Jersey

My dear Elinor:-

Thank you for your letter with its accompanying copy of the Call to the meeting of the C. C. C. C. I have engaged at the Hotel Latham five double rooms and three sets of single connecting rooms. Miss Gordon has just told me that she can stay with a friend at Tenth Street. When you send me the final list will you give your judgment as to whether Miss Steinmetz should remain at the Hotel. Miss Petrie is planning to stay in for two nights. Miss Kerr would need to stay in the Hotel.

When yournote first came I was a bit uncertain as to whether we were authorized to entertain the four Young People's Secretaries, as the original composition of the Committee gave "Young People's Secretary or Assistant". I find that the wording of the ammendment, however, might cover both since it reads "The Young People's Secretaries shall be ex-officio members of the Committee." I have just seen Mrs. Bryan and she says she will not be here for the Wednesday sessions, but will arrive Thursday morning. At the meeting today Mrs. Stockwell was elected alternate member.

Is there any way to avoid this coming and going of Board members. I think we found at the September sessions a retarding of the work by certain Board members sitting at one session and then others at another. There was a needless repetition of certain discussions. Is there some way by which we can secure the presence of members through the entire sessions or else having proxies appointed to take their places for the entire time. Will you think this over and if it seems desireable to make some arrangements could we consult with Mrs. Bennett next Tuesday.Let me know if there is anything further I can do to help in the planning for the Conference.

Will you come prepared to meet the Missionary Education Committee at 12:15 just preceding the Board meeting. We will eat our lunch together at that hour.

Do you think it would facilitate the meetings to have someone appointed to receive suggestions from other members on the five topics you are suggesting for our consideration at the meetings on December 27th to 29th. Placing the responsibility on the one who is to receive suggestions to work out recommendations to bring to the Committee. Some of these topics lend themselves more easily to this method, forinstance, you have already asked Lucy McCurdy to work out a program for the teen age group. I do not know whether you mean the twelve to fifteen or fifteen to eighteen group, but which ever it is, don't you want someone else to work out the other too. Then as to constitution, could not that be brought in in almost finished form. Your first topic, the method of presenting the organization to the church, could be thought out before hand. Perhaps you have already worked out these plans, pardon my intrusion, if you have, but as I have read over your Call to the meeting it seemed to me we had a rather heavy program to complete within three days.

Sincerely,

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December 21, 1922.

Mrs F.S.Bennett,
Englewood, N.J.

My dear Mrs Bennett:-

I am enclosing a copy of the docket for the C.C.C.Committee meetings as I have worked it out. I hope it covers all we ought to do at this time, but, if you think of anything that we ought to bring up, I hope you will let me know. I'm hoping for a chance to talk it over with you when we are at the hotel, in fact, I'll probably be coming to you for help many times during the meetings.

Miss Hodge writes that she will be at all the meetings except on Wednesday afternoon, when there is a Foreign Board meeting. Of course, I knew this, but thought w ought to get started on Wednesday afternoon in order to get through by Friday, and the rest of the Foreign Board members can go to the morning session of the Board meeting, and come to the committee meeting in the afternoon. Miss Hodge does not seem to mind if we do this, but writes that she trusts you will be with us at the opening session on Wednesday when she cannot be there. I don't know what she thinks we are up to, but we evidently need watching.

It looks now as if I could surely get there next week, and I am going ahead on that supposition. Have just received a note from Helen Miller saying she will be there at all the meetings as an alternate for Mrs Jennings, and she will be a great help. That makes two places full on the Foreign side and two on the Home side. We are still uncertain about the other person from each Board.

While I am writing, I might as well tell you that I don't see how I can get away to go to the meeting of the Council of Women at Atlantic City, much as I should love to go. It is very difficult for me to get away for more than a day, or at the most, two days at a time, from my work, except on very special occasions, and, as I am arranging to leave for three days next week, I don't feel that I have any right to do it so soon again, and this Atlantic City trip would mean three days, or more. If it were not for this C.C.C.Committee meeting, I could manage it, but I really ought not to do both. Iam awfully sorry, for I should love to go to the Council meetings, and appreciate very much being a member from our Board.

With my best wishes for the Christmas season, believe me,

Very affectionately,

Elinor K. Turner.

Mrs Bennett.

Docket--C.C.C.Committee - Dec.27th - Dec.29th.

Hours of meetings--- Wednesday, Dec.27, 2 P.M. - 5 P.M.
" " 8 P.M. - 10 P.M.
Thursday, Dec.28, 9.30 A.M. - 12.30 P.M.
" " 2 P.M. - 4 P.M.
Friday, Dec.28, 8 P.M. - 10 P.M.
Friday, Dec.29th, 9.30 A.M. - 12.30 P.M.
" " 2 P.M. - 5 P.M.

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1. Minutes

2. Report on action of Boards, and present status of W.G.W.S.

3. Organization of committee--Council of W.G.W.S., or C.C.C.Commmittee.

4. Work before the committee - Reading of instructions to committee from the Boards.

5. Program of W.G.W.S.

   A. Oldest group

      1. Recreational - social side of meetings.
         Relation of this part of program to that of other groups in local church.

      2. Educational- How shall this be worked out in a local branch?
         Methods of mission study
         Relation to other parts of program
         Magazine

      3. Spiritual - devotional part of program
         How shall this be set up?

      4. Service - its relation to other parts of program.
         How detailed a program shall be set up?
         Of what shall it consist, and how can it be made a vital part of the whole program?

      5. The relationship of these various parts of the program in making up the whole program for a year's work.

      6. How much of this material shall be given out to W.G.W.S. in printed material?

   B. 15 - 18 age group. Adaptation of program to this group.

   C. 12 - 15 age group. Adaptation of program to this group.

6. Names for the local divisions within a church-the three age groups.

7. National constitution, and by-laws for a local branch.

   A. National constitution- How much of the material prepared shall be put into the constitution of W.G.W.S.

   B. By-laws for a local branch. What shall be put into these?

8. Promotional material - what must be prepared for immediate use?

Suggestions for discussion
Outline of national organization
Helps for local branches
Material on budget and objects
Educational material
Material for service program
Magazine
Devotional programs .
teen age material

9. How can the present W.G. be merged in to the new W?G.W.S.
Relationship of W.G. to W.G.W.S.

10. Plans for the presentation of W.G.W.S. to the young women of the church.
Anncuncement day. When shall it be?
Of what shall it consist?

11. Headquarters at "156" for W.G.W.S. Plans for handling work there.

12. Relationships.

A. In local church

B. At headquarters.

Cooperation with other Boards. What shall be our attitude?

13. Other business

14. Adjournment.

December 27th, 1922.

Dear Elinor:-

I cannot tell you how sorry I am that it should be seemed wise to call off the meeting of the C.C.C. Committee, but neither can I tell you what a relief it was to me when I received your telegram that this had been done. I am particularly sorry that the change in plans had to be made so late, but until my return from Kansas City and my talk with Dr. Taylor at Rochester, I did not realize how unwise it would be for us to have the girls together. If Dr. Hinitt's Committee were not to meet next week, I think I should have braved all the other difficulties and would have been willing to go on, but I knew that at that meeting the fact that we had as Women's Boards been planning a definite program the preceding week, would be brought out, and I knew that that could not but have a prejudicial effect upon the situation.

I can say to you personally that I feel convinced that eventually we shall win out in those phases of work and with those groups that we desire to retain, but I think we shall accomplish this only by watching our step every instant.

I know the girls must have been greatly disappointed, and it probably upset their holiday plans, and I just wish you knew how very much I hated to have any part in this, but when I found that Miss Hodge was as disturbed as I was, and that her reaction was similar to mine, it seemed imperative that I talk the matter over with her.

Of course the fact that Miss Hodge and myself both had to give most of this week to conferences in preparation for Dr. Hinitt's

Committees, influenced us both.

I wonder if she said that we hoped that it might be possible to have the Committee the week-end including the holiday on February 12th. In view of the fact that this meeting has been given up, I hope you are going to be able to be with us at Atlantic City for the Council Meetings.

With much love and very deep appreciation of your helpful spirit in all of this, I am,

Lovingly yours,

MKB/L